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Northern States Power Company August 2002 Purchased Gas Adjustment PU-400-02-392 Filed 08/01/2002

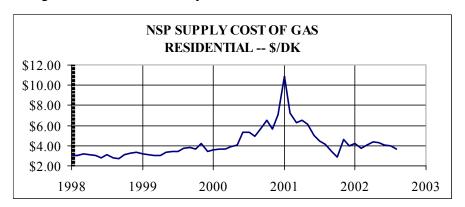
SUMMARY OF PROPOSAL:

In this filing, NSP is decreasing the cost of gas adjustment by \$.3007 per dK for gas used on and after August 2, 2002. This changes the current residential customer cost of gas adjustment from \$3.9972 per dK to \$3.6965 per dK.

The decrease for residential customers results from:

- \$.3034 per dK decrease in the commodity cost of gas
- \$.0027 per dK increase in the demand cost of gas.

Natural gas commodity prices decreased slightly, in part due to: 1) good weather and 2) low seasonal demand. The demand cost increased slightly due to increased reservation rates on the Viking Gas Transmission system.



This change in cost of gas decreases the bill by \$.36 for a residential customer with usage of 1.2 dK in July.

The Department of Energy's (DOE) Energy Information Administration (EIA) provides various publications on energy issues. The information is available on the EIA website: http://www.eia.doe.gov.

MOTION

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Northern States Power Company August 2002 Purchased Gas Adjustment Case No. PU-400-02-392

I move the Commission approve Northern States Power Company's August 2002 purchased gas adjustment, Case No. PU-400-02-392.

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